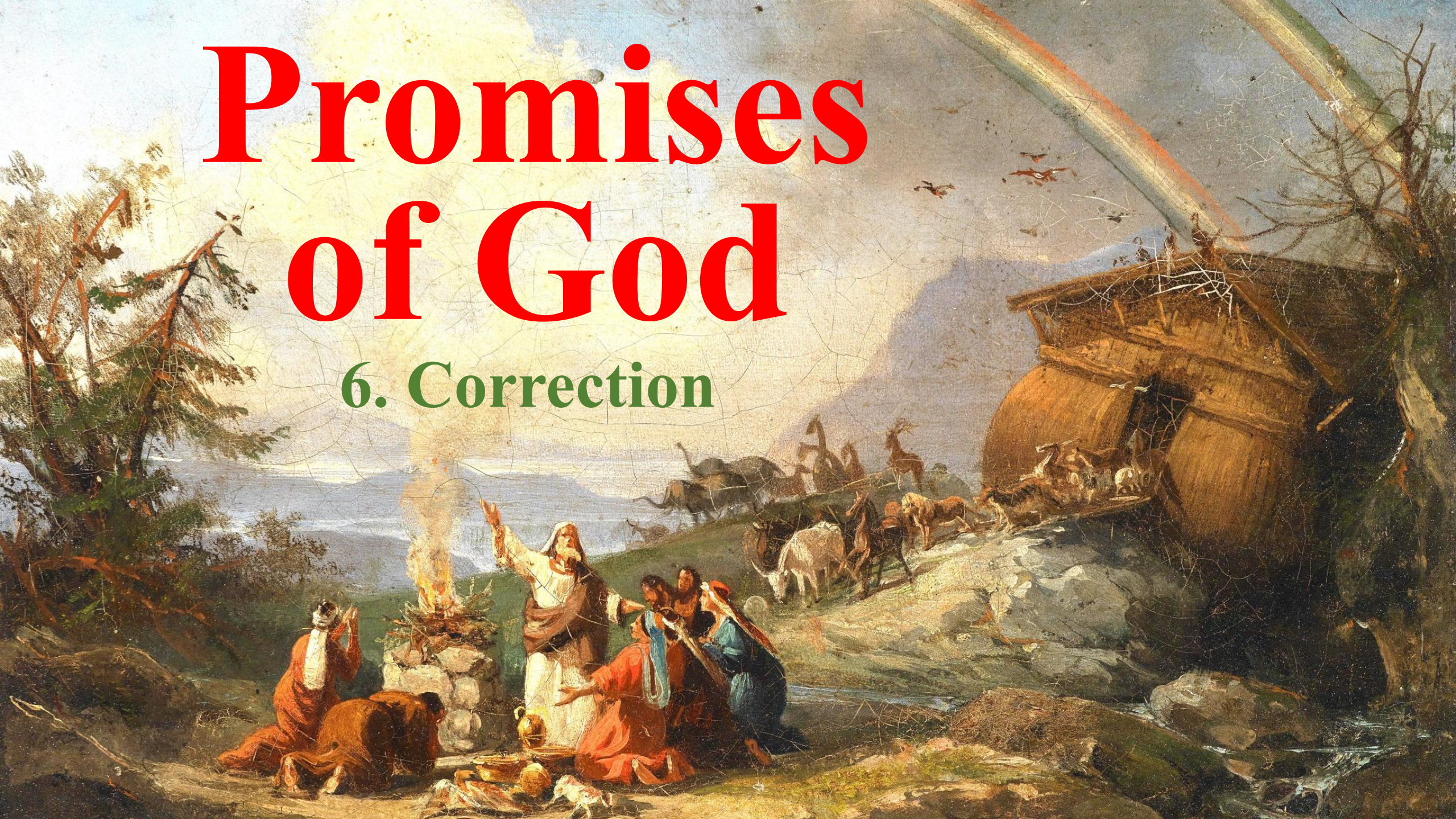


Promises of God

6. Correction



Proverbs 3:12 "For whom the LORD loveth he correcteth; even as a father the son in whom he delighteth."

Meaning: The word "correcteth" means to be right. God promises correction to every one that is a child of His. The Lord specifically says He corrects "the son in whom he delighteth." Those who please the Lord and strive to obey Him will receive more reproof and instruction than the one who is rebellious. This stands to reason for "he giveth wisdom unto the wise" (Daniel 2:21).

Application: We should be happy when God corrects us because it is a sign that He loves us. The child of God that resists correction is one who has forsaken the way of God (Proverbs 15:10). God's correction is for our good. Those who despise or are weary of His correction miss out on a close relationship with God and the joy of living in His will. God's correction is "for our profit, that we might be partakers of his holiness" (Hebrew 12:10).

Other Verses for Study: Deuteronomy 8:5; Job 5:17;
Proverbs 3:11, 12; 13:24; Hebrews 12:5-11

1. God giveth wisdom unto the _____.
 2. Of what is God's correction a sign? _____
 3. Why does a person resist God's correction?

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"We can be sure that God's chastening hand is controlled by His loving heart."